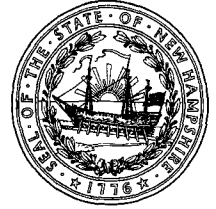




The State of New Hampshire  
**Department of Environmental Services**



Michael P. Nolin  
Commissioner

June 16, 2005

Mr. Tom Mansfield  
State of New Hampshire D.R.E.D.  
Division of Parks and Recreation  
P.O. Box 1856  
Concord, NH 03302-0172

**LETTER OF DEFICIENCY #WSEB 05-071**  
**CERTIFIED MAIL #7099 3400 0003 0690 2190**

**Subject: Sargents Purchase – Mount Washington Observatory, Expired Groundwater Discharge Permit (DES #199007007)**

Dear Mr. Mansfield:

The records of the Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that the subject facility owns and operates a domestic wastewater treatment facility with disposal to the groundwater via infiltration. Pursuant to Env-Ws 1500, *Groundwater Discharge Permit and Registration Rules*, and successor rules, this facility is required to obtain a groundwater discharge permit. The purpose of the permit is to assess groundwater quality and determine continued compliance with the applicable Ambient Groundwater Quality Standards (AGQS).

DES records indicate that the previous groundwater discharge permit (GWP-199007007-S-002) expired March 15, 2005 and a new permit and supporting information has not been submitted. The failure to obtain a permit for the unlined wastewater lagoon(s) places the facility in violation of NH Administrative Rule Env-Ws 1500.

DES believes the violations can be corrected and future violations prevented by taking the following actions:

1. **By July 30, 2005**, complete and submit to DES a groundwater discharge permit application with supporting information to obtain the required permit (application enclosed).

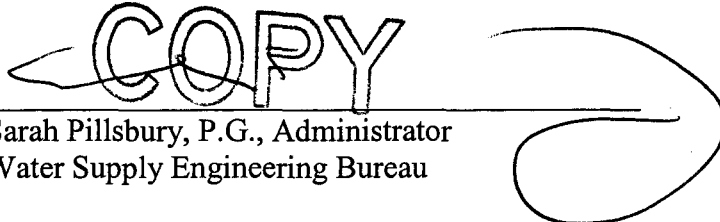
In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may take further enforcement action against you, including issuing an order requiring the deficiencies to be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

All correspondence, documentation, and technical information, as requested, should be addressed as follows:

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Water Supply Engineering Bureau  
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Please contact Mitchell Locker by e-mail at *mlocker@des.state.nh.us*, or by phone at (603) 271-2858 if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

  
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Sarah Pillsbury, P.G., Administrator  
Water Supply Engineering Bureau

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Enclosure: Groundwater Discharge Permit Application

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